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In late August 1950, the following units were observed in Kicevo, Yugoslavia:

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- A division headquarters. Many troops are stationed in the headquarters area along with various rear echelon units. Officers assigned to the division headquarters include: Major Bora Mitrovski, chief of one unity Captain Nikola Markovic, assistant to Mitrovski; Major Dusan Stanojevic who works on mobilization matters.
- The 166 Field Regiment. Regimental headquarters' chief is one b. Tode Dimovski and a Major Branko Velimirovic is also in the unit.
- The 167 Artillery Regiment. The commanding officer is Cedo Antirovic.
- An unidentified regiment of anti-aircraft artillery. The regiment's d. weapons are said to be of medium caliber with a few 80 mm. cannons.
- One division equipped with Bofors anti-aircraft guns of unstated caliber. The division arrived from Bosnia in July 1950. It is rumored that it will stay in Kicevo only temporarily.
- A liaison unit of undetermined size.
- A small unit described as an anti-chemical warfare unit.
- On 14 August 1950, a cavalry division passed through Kicevo in the direction of Debar.
- 3. Construction work is being carried out in the village of Klenovac, 16 kilometers east of Kicevo, and the area is off limits to all civilians. It is believed that Army personnel are engaged in constructing military warehouses.
- 4. South of Debar, an engineer unit from Nis is building defense fortifications. This area is also off limits to civilians.
- On 6 August 1950, heavy firing, including heavy machine gun fire, was heard emanating from the Albanian side of the border.

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6. From May to late August 1950, a number of reservists much larger than usual was called up for a two month training period. A large number of reservists in the Kicevo garrison have been assigned to regular army units.

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